GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3981
ANSWERED ON:16.12.2002
ESTABLISHMENT OF LION SAFARI IN MAHARASHTRA
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Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal to establish Lion Safari in the country particularly Maharashtra;

(b) if so, the locations thereof;

(c) whether any requests from certain States including Maharashtra have been received in this regard; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and action taken thereon?

Answer

MINISTER OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI T.R. BAALU)

(a), (b), (c) & (d) : A Proposal to establish a lion safari near Sangli City was received from Government of Maharashtra.The proposal was not approved by the Central Zoo Authority and State Government was advised to utilize its resources for improving the housing and health care facilities in the existing zoos of the State.